

Professional bio

Long Island NY based visual artist, **Paola de Stefano Merazzi**, has been manufacturing illustrations since the early nineties. As a graphic designer and illustrator she is the force behind Artextiles Design Studio. Notable customers over the years include: The White House gift shop, Democratic Party, Republican Party, Coca Cola, Pepsi, Budweiser, Jeep, Disney, NYC Board of Education, The Museum Store, Tabasco, Jerry Garcia, Chevrolet, The Children Foundation, Autism Awareness, Susan G. Komen Foundation among many others. She consulted and created surface designs for all major companies in the Fashion Industry. Paola's restlessness allowed her to venture into all aspect of visual art, eager to learn new mediums along the way.

Wasn't until 2005, while operating Artextiles Design Studio in Dumbo, NY that she decided to take a leap of faith and started painting, mostly for herself as a way of expression. MoMeStudio was born as she began her Art career alongside her Illustrator/surface design "day job". She found her tribe in Dumbo's warehouses and cobblestones streets, and on the same year she opened her studio doors for the 9th Annual DUMBO Art Under The Bridge Studio Visit. She was exposed, scared and naked in front of everyone to see. She found it exhilarating and addictive. She decided she wanted more and she got it. Over the years she created, won awards, her paintings shown in the U.S. and Europe.

Co-Founder, SuPperSuit, Brooklyn, NY Since 2009

Founder/Chief of Operation, MomeStudio, Dumbo, NY Since 2005

Founder, Artextiles Design Studio, Inc. Brooklyn, NY Since 1996

Artistic consultant Fellini Soluzioni, Italy 1995—1997

Textiles designer Iris, S.N.C., Italy 1990—1994

Swimsuit designer Green Design, Italy 1989—1990

Visual artist, painter, illustrator, product and textile designer Since 1989